



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bo ZHENG* , et al

Assignee: APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.

Title: FORMATION OF PROTECTION LAYER BY DRIPPING DI ON WAFER
WITH HIGH ROTATION TO PREVENT STAIN FORMATION FROM
H2O2/H2SO4 CHEMICAL SPLASH

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 28, 2004, the following documents are enclosed to complete the filing of the above-identified patent application:

1. A combined declaration and power of attorney signed by the inventor(s) (Bo ZHENG and Hung X. HOANG) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 (4 pages);
2. A combined declaration and power of attorney signed by the inventor(s) (Methelyn F. MURPHY) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 (4 pages);
3. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted

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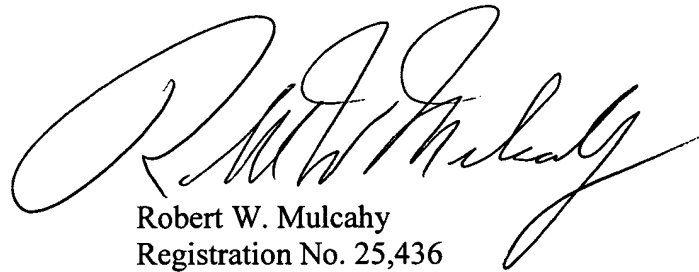
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It is hereby respectfully submitted that the enclosed documents complete the filing of the above-named patent application and justify the filing date of April 16, 2004. Please telephone the undersigned at (408) 563-2726 , if there are any questions regarding this matter.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
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